Appointment of a Chief Secretary in Sikkim

3261. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news report contained in the weekly 'Sikkim Observer' to the effect that the Minister of State for Personnel during her visit to Sikkim on the 4th October, 1991 made an observation in Gangtok that the appointment of the Chief Secretary of the State was illegal as it was made without the approval of the Central Government; and

(b) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The present Chief Secretary of Sikkim was retired by the Central Government in the public interest under rule 16(3) of the All India Services (Death-cum Retirement Benefits) Rules, 1958 in August, 1989 when he was not the Chief Secretary. The Central Administration Tribunal Calcutta Bench set aside the retirement order. When asked by the Press about his reinstatement in Service, I replied that this was done by the State Government without waiting for the orders of Cenral Government. When asked what action is proposed to be taken I had stated that details will be obtained from the State Government.

IMF and World Bank pensioners on administrative posts

3262. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to the Unstarred Question 1694 given in the Rajya Sabha on 1st August, 1991 and state:

(a) whether there has been great rush IMF and World Bank pensioners recently for various strategic administrative posts in Government;

(b) whether it is a fact that Ministry of Personnel is not maintaining information on all officers who are on the list of such international agencies for pensions after they retire or are eligible for drawing pensions even during their service with Government of India;

(c) what steps Government are taking to review the policy of allowing Government servants to draw pensions from international organisations;

(d) what are the precautions against the development of dual loyalties amongst such personnel; and

(e) have Government taken note of the item in Indian Express dated 18th November, 1991 captioned "IMF man to join Finance Ministry" which highlights this danger?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes Sir. Some officers who have worked in the IMF and the World Bank and who might be eligible to draw pension from these bodies at the appropriate time have been recruited to serve in the Government of India.

(b) The Ministry of Personnel does not maintain any specific roster of all such officers who are on the list of international agencies for pension.

(c) to (e) The matter is under examination.